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***ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION***

***February 19, 2002
2:00 P.M.***

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL

1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (All present.)

The Invocation was delivered by Father Peter E. Papanikolaou, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Ralph K. Smith.

Welcome. Mayor Smith.

NOTICE:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECEIVE THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, ETC., ON THE THURSDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR REVIEW OF INFORMATION. CITIZENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A COPY OF ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 456, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., OR CALL 853-2541.

THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE NOW PROVIDES THE MAJORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ON THE INTERNET FOR VIEWING AND RESEARCH PURPOSES. TO ACCESS AGENDA MATERIAL, GO TO THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM, CLICK ON THE ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL ICON, CLICK ON MEETINGS AND AGENDAS, AND DOWNLOAD THE ADOBE ACROBAT SOFTWARE TO ACCESS THE AGENDA.

ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT WHO IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH, HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.

ANY PERSON WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 853-2541 TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION.

2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

Introduction of Youth Chinese Opera troupe.

File #80-327

Proclamation declaring March 1 - 2, 2002 as Habitat for Humanity Days.

File #3-399

3. CONSENT AGENDA

(APPROVED 7-0)

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- C-1 Minutes of the regular meetings of Council held on Monday, December 17, 2002, Monday, January 7, 2002, and an extract of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, January 22, 2002.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Dispense with the reading thereof and approve as recorded.

- C-2 A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss acquisition of real property for public purpose, where discussion in open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the City, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(3), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in request.

File #104-132

C-3 Qualification of the following persons:

Ralph K. Smith as a member of the Hotel Roanoke Conference Center Commission, to fill the unexpired term of James D. Grisso, resigned, commencing February 1, 2002, and ending April 12, 2004; and

Dolores Y. Johns as a member of the Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare, Board of Directors, for a term ending December 31, 2004.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.

Removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

REGULAR AGENDA

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RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.

The matter was tabled, Council Members White, Hudson, and Mayor Smith voted no.

File #15-110-247-314

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.

5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. A communication from Kaye Hale, Executive Director, West End Center for Youth, to address the new policy for CDBG awards and potential funding for local organizations.

The matter was referred to the Council's Financial Planning Session to be held on Friday, March 8, 2002, and to Fiscal Year 2002-03 Budget Study.

Council Members Bestpitch and Wyatt requested that the City Manager provide the following information:

The amount of funds provided by the City through Community Development Block Grant funds for certain programs that have a demonstrated history of success; i.e.: the West End Center, the Presbyterian Center, Magic Place, TOP Program, etc., compared with the amount of funds that will be needed to increase the human services budget to insure ongoing support of such programs.

How much would the admissions tax have to be increased City-wide for all venues, excluding City operated facilities, in order to generate additional revenues for social and cultural service organizations?
File #60-236-296-304

- b. A request of Dr. Cheri W. Hartman, Director of Teen Outreach, Family Service of Roanoke Valley, to address youth services in the City of Roanoke.

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6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

a. CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS: NONE.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

- 1. A communication recommending execution of a contract with Rosser International, Inc., for architectural and engineering services for the proposed stadium-amphitheater complex to be constructed on a site across from the Roanoke Civic Center, in the amount of \$1,250,000.00.**

**Adopted Resolution No. 35750-021902. (5-0, Council Member Hudson and Mayor Smith voted no.)
File #122-192-405**

2. A communication recommending acceptance of the bid submitted by The Richardson-Wayland Electrical Corporation, for improvements and signalization at Williamson Road and Hildebrand Road, N. W., in the amount of \$47,844.00; and transfer of \$52,600.00 in connection with the project.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 35751-021902 and Ordinance No. 35752-021902. (7-0)
File #20-46-60-264-472-514

3. A communication recommending acceptance of the bid submitted by Kovatch Mobile Equipment Corporation for the purchase of a 1500 GPM fire engine with water tower for the Fire-EMS Department, in the amount of \$429,767.00; and appropriation of funds.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 35753-021902 and Resolution No. 35754-021902. (7-0)
File #60-70-354-472

4. A communication recommending authorization to use competitive negotiation as the method to secure vendors to provide software and software services for the Police Department and the Department of Technology.

Adopted Resolution No. 35755-021902. (7-0)
File #5-262

5. A communication recommending acceptance of a V-STOP Domestic Violence Grant from the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, in the amount of \$27,003.00; and appropriation of funds.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 35756-021902 and Resolution No. 35757-021902. (7-0)

The City Manager was requested to provide a more indepth report on the V-STOP Grant.
File #5-60-236

6. A communication recommending approval of an extension contract with Appalachian Power Company for electric service on a bundled basis from July 1, 2002 - June 30, 2007; and an extension of the City's street lighting contract from July 1, 2002 - July 30, 2007.

Adopted Resolution No. 35758-021902. (7-0)
File #46-433-514

b. CITY CLERK:

1. A report requesting that Council establish certain dates in connection with appointment of two Trustees to the Roanoke City School Board for terms commencing July 1, 2002, and ending June 30, 2005.

Concurred in the request.
File #110-467

c. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. A report recommending appropriation of \$227,651.00, in connection with CDBG program income from the Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority and CDBG miscellaneous program income.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 35759-021902. (7-0)
File #60-178-236

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

- a. A communication from the Roanoke City School Board requesting appropriation of funds for various school accounts; and a report of the Director of Finance recommending that Council concur in the request.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 35760-021902. (7-0)
File #60-467

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.

9. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE.

10. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

- a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Members of City Council.

Council Member White called attention to increased litter within the City of Roanoke, and requested that the matter be referred to the City Manager for response.

File #144

Council Member Hudson referred to litter in the Mud Lick Road area.

File #144

In view of the current water situation, Council Member Wyatt inquired as to the feasibility of establishing a water hotline for citizens to report water leakage.

File #468

A motion was adopted that, effective immediately, all open meetings of Roanoke City Council which are held in the City Council Chamber will be televised in their entirety, including Hearing Of Citizens Upon Public Matters, Mayor Smith voted no.

File #132

As a water conservation tip, the Mayor encouraged citizens to repair leaking faucets and flush tanks.

File #468

- b. Vacancies on various authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council.

11. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

12. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:

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**Ms. Helen E. Davis, 35 Patton Avenue, N. E., requested clarification with regard to the proposed closing of fire stations in the City of Roanoke.
File #70**

**Mr. Donald W. Hussey, 1612 Shamrock Road, N. W., presented recommendations for water conservation.
File #468**

The meeting was declared in recess for one closed session.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION. (4-0, Vice-Mayor Carder and Council Members Bestpitch and Harris were out of the Council Chamber when the vote was recorded.)

THE MEETING OF COUNCIL WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE RECONVENED AT 5:00 P.M., IN THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM, ROOM 159, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., FOR A JOINT MEETING OF ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL AND THE ROANOKE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION.

THE ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL MEETING RECONVENED AT 7:00 P.M., IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, FOURTH FLOOR, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W.



***JOINT MEETING
CITY COUNCIL/CITY PLANNING COMMISSION***

5:00 P.M.

***EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER
CONFERENCE ROOM***

1. Welcome/Opening Remarks. Mayor Smith.
2. Invocation.

Dinner

3. Presentation of 2001 Annual Report. Mr. Manetta.
4. Discussion with regard to the Zoning Ordinance.
Mr. Manetta.
5. Discussion issues by City Council/City Planning
Commission.

THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS AT 6:30 P.M., TO BE RECONVENED AT 7:00 P.M., IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, FOURTH FLOOR, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., CITY OF ROANOKE.



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A. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Public hearing to consider an amendment of Vision 2001-2020, the adopted Comprehensive Plan for the City of Roanoke, Virginia, dated August 20, 2001, to include Outlook Roanoke Update, an updated development plan for downtown Roanoke. Robert B. Manetta, Chair, City Planning Commission.

A resolution amending Vision 2001-2020, the City's adopted comprehensive plan, to include the Outlook Roanoke Update as an element of the comprehensive plan, was tabled.

File #200

B. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:

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Mr. Robert Gravely, 1617 Hanover Avenue, N. W., expressed concern with regard to the overall condition of the City of Roanoke; i.e.: the City's vision does not include disadvantaged and minority citizens, the City supports the affluent and outside business interests, and the City's support of downtown Roanoke as opposed to other parts of the City.

File #66

Mr. E. Duane Howard, 508 Walnut Avenue, S. W., spoke with regard to action taken by Council at its 2:00 p.m. session in regard to reinstating RVTv coverage of the City Council meeting in its entirety. He stated that citizens will continue to lobby City Council to reinstate citizen comments under the Petitions and Communications section of the City Council agenda.

File #66-132